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SUBJECT: CANADIAN DEFENSE REVIEW CONSULTIONS

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1. I TOLD POLITICAL DIRECTOR OTTO BORCH JUNE 17 THAT WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR DENMARK, ALONG WITH NORWAY, TO SUGGEST THAT CANADA CONSULT WITH NATO BEFORE TAKING DECISIONS WHICH COULD AFFECT ITS EUROPEAN DEFENSE COMMITMENTS. BORCH RECALLED THAT PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU, DURING HIS RECENT VISIT, HAD ASSURED THE DANES THAT THE CANADIANS WOULD MAINTAIN THEIR MILITARY EFFECTIVENESS IN EUROPE (COPENHAGEN 1598), BUT ADMITTED THAT THE DANES HAD NO INFORMATION AS TO WHAT STEPS THE CANADIANS WERE PLANNING TO TAKE AS A RESULT OF THEIR DEFENSE REVIEW. HE ASKED WHETHER THE MATTER WAS URGENT. I REPLIED THAT IT WAS, SINCE THE CANADIANS WERE PREPARING TO CONSULT THE GERMANS AND OURSELVES NEXT WEEK AND MIGHT MOVE QUICKLY AFTER THAT. BORCH SAID HE GOT THE POINT, WOULD TALK WITH THE DEFENSE MINISTRY, AND LET US KNOW WHAT DENMARK COULD DO.

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2. COMMENT: THERE WILL PROBABLY ALSO BE DANISH-NORWEGIAN
CONSULTATION IN REGARD TO OUR REQUEST.
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